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**TO:** Members of the Rhode Island Board of Education

**FROM:** Ken Wagner, Ph.D., Commissioner

**RE:** Request for Approval – PK-12 Fiscal Year 2020-24 Capital Budget Proposal

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Annually the RI Board of Education is required to approve the Capital Budget request, a five-year plan that covers repairs, renovations, and improvements at State-owned properties. This year's request includes projects for the Davies Career and Technical Center, the Metropolitan Career and Technical Center, the Rhode Island School for the Deaf, and selected statewide initiatives. The Capital Budget is the first step in the FY 2020 budget process.

The Department's total request through FY 2024 includes eight (8) projects for a total cost of \$334M, which includes \$22M already spent or encumbered. There are two new projects in this budget: a \$250M school construction bond for schools statewide and a \$50M project for a new/renovated building for Davies High School. The other projects in this budget are continuations of projects that have been previously approved by the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education, the Governor, and the General Assembly.

**RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the RI Board of Education formally approves the PK-12 Fiscal Year 2020-24 Capital Budget Proposal, as presented.**